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## House Resolution No. 1774

Whereas, as the 2007-2008 school year draws to a close, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to applaud the career achievements of those individuals who are retiring from the field of education; and

Whereas, the Holcomb R-III School District is losing a valuable member of its faculty on May 22, 2008, with the retirement of Teresa DePew who has devoted several years of her life to the education of this state's young citizens through tireless endeavors as an educator; and

Whereas, Teresa DePew has served as a Special Services Director for thirty-two years at Holcomb R-III, where she is held in high esteem as an educator who demonstrates considerable competence and remarkable degrees of compassion and understanding; and

Whereas, deeply committed to the great cause of learning, Teresa DePew has also enjoyed recognition by serving as a girls high school softball coach, President of the Community Teachers Association, and Director of the Special Education Program, Title Programs, the Missouri Pre-School Program, and the After School Tutoring Program; and

Whereas, Teresa DePew has watched her pupils grow, develop, and mature through the knowledge she has imparted to them both as a teacher and as a friend; and

Whereas, so many young Missourians have left the classrooms of Holcomb R-III fully prepared to face the challenges ahead as a result of the outstanding professional endeavors of Teresa DePew; and

Whereas, Teresa DePew has been blessed with the love and support of a wonderful family whose members include her husband, Coy DePew; and two children, Erica Weadon and Justin DePew:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join the Holcomb R-III School District in expressing appreciation for the unparalleled service that she has rendered to Missouri's children and in wishing her the long, fruitful, and enjoyable retirement that she so justly deserves; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Teresa DePew, as a measure of our esteem for her.

Offered by	
	Representative Tom Todd
	District No. 163

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1774, adopted April 14, 2008.